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SUBJ: IBRD VOCATIONAL TRAINING LOAN; IDB TRANCHE OF UTE LOAN

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1. EMBASSY AGREES WITH THE STRATEGY OUTLINED REF A OF DEFERRING A DECISION ON THE VOCATIONAL TRAINING LOAN UNTIL AFTER MID-MAY AND HOPES THIS POSITION PREVAILS AT APRIL 28 MEETING. WE WILL BE PREPARED TO REPORT UP TO THE MOMENT GOU ACTIONS RELEVANT TO OUR FINAL VOTE DECISION. AWAIT DEPARTMENT'S NOTIFICATION AS TO DATE SUCH A REPORT MUST BE RECEIVED IN WASHINGTON.

2. RE UTE LOANS FURTHER CONVERSATION WITH IDB TECHNICIANS WORKING ON THE IBRD/IDB LOANS SUBSTANTIATES THE ASSESSMENT OF GOU PROGRESS WHICH AID DIRECTOR HORWITZ RECENTLY OBTAINED FROM IBRD AND IDB STAFFS IN WASHINGTON. REQUIRED NEW ORGANIC LEGISLATION GOVERNING THE UTE STILL HAS TWO MINISTRIES TO CLEAR BEFORE IT CAN BE CONSIDERED BY THE QUASI-LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL OS STATE. CURRENT INDICATIONS ARE THAT COMPLETION OF NECESSARY PRE-CONDITIONS FOR EITHER LOAN IS, AT A MINIMUM, SEVERAL MONTHS AWAY. THIS DELAY, WHICH ALLOWS TIME FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO TAKE PLACE IN THE HUMAN RIGHTS SITUATION WHICH MIGHT PERMIT US TO EITHER ABSTAIN OR
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VOTE YES, SERVES OUR INTEREST. AS INDICATED IN THE STRATEGY WHICH THE EMBASSY RECOMMENDED IN REF B, WE SHOULD WORK WITHIN THE BANKS TO ENCOURAGE THIS DELAY, PLACING WHATEVER OBSTACLES WE CAN IN THE PATH OF THESE LOANS AS THEY PROCEED THROUGH THE BANKS.
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